GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
CONSUMER AFFAIRS, FOOD AND PUBLIC DISTRIBUTION
LOK SABHA

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:1955
ANSWERED ON:29.11.2002
BPL FAMILIES
AKHILESH SINGH

Will the Minister of CONSUMER AFFAIRS, FOOD AND PUBLIC DISTRIBUTION be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government have formulated an action plan to ascertain the number of people living below the poverty line in each State in pursuance of Hon`ble Supreme Court orders issued during the hearing of public interest petition;

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) the number of States covered under this action plan in the country; and

(d) the details of steps taken so far in this regard, State-wise?

Answer

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF CONSUMER AFFAIRS, FOOD AND PUBLIC DISTRIBUTION (SH KRISHNAM RAJU)

(a),(b),(c)&(d): The Supreme Court in its interim order dated 28th November, 2001, inWrit Petition (Civil) No.196 of 2001 had directed all States/UTs to complete the task of identification of BPL families latest by 1st January, 2002. Accordingly, the States/UTs were advised to complete the task of identification of BPL families if not already done. All States/ UTs have reported identification of BPL families. The number of BPL households identified by State Government/UTs is as per Annexure.
ANNEXURE

ANNEXURE REFERRED TO IN REPLY TO PARTS (a),(b),(c)&(d) OF UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 1955 DUE FOR ANSWE 29-11-2002 IN THE LOK SABHA.

STATEMENT SHOWING THE IDENTIFIED NUMBER OF BPL FAMILIES STATE-EISE.

States/UTs	No. of BPL Household including AAY identified by the State Govt./UTs(lakhs)
1. Andhra Pradesh	113.60
2. Arunachal Pradesh	1.20
3. Assam	18.85
4. Bihar	61.63
5. Goa	0.08
6. Gujarat	33.90
7 Haryana	7.68
8. Himachal Pradesh	2.98
9. J & K	6.23
10. Karnataka	62.80
11. Kerala	20.58
12. Madhya Pradesh	44.87
13. Maharashtra	77.00
14. Manipur	1.29
15. Meghalaya	1.72
16. Mizoram	0.91

17. Nagaland 1.24
18. Orissa 48.57
19. Punjab 4.35
20. Rajasthan 23.74
21. Sikkim 0.44
22. Tamil Nadu 65.51
23. Tripura 2.50
24. Uttar Pradesh 105.75
25. West Bengal 47.87
26. A&N Islands 0.17
27. Chandigarh 0.23
28. D&N Haveli 0.16
29. Daman & Diu 0.04
30. Delhi 4.11
31. Lakshadweep 0.01(1285)
32. Pondicherry 0.95
33.Chattisgarh 17.48
34.Jarkhand 22.21
35.Uttaranchal 4.30

Total 804.85